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SUBJECT: KEY LOCKHEED FIGURE TO BE EXTRADITED FROM BRAZIL

1. NEWSPAPER REPORTS INDICATE THAT THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT OF BRAZIL HAS AUTHORIZED THE EXTRADITION TO ITALY OF OVIDIO LEFEBVRE, A KEY FIGURE IN THE LOCKHEED CASE ALREADY UNDER INDICTMENT BY ITALIAN COURTS. LEFEBVRE SHOULD ARRIVE IN ROME WITHIN THE NEXT TEN DAYS, ACCORDING TO THE REPORTS.

2. OVIDIO LEFEBVRE IS ACCUSED OF HAVING FUNNELED ILLICIT PAYMENTS FROM THE LOCKHEED COMPANY TO ITALIAN MILITARY AND POLITICAL FIGURES. BOTH LEFEBVRE AND HIS BROTHER ANTONIO WERE CLOSE ASSOCIATES OF ITALIAN PRESIDENT GIOVANNI LEONE, AN ASSOCIATION WHICH HAS GIVEN RISE TO A GREAT DEAL OF PRESS SPECULATION HERE ABOUT LEONE'S POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT IN THE LOCKHEED AFFAIR.

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3. EVIDENCE ON THE LOCKHEED CASE IS CURRENTLY BEING STUDIED BY THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT. THE COURT IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN FORMAL HEARINGS INTO THE CASE IN THE SPRING OF NEXT YEAR.
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